

Figure 1

Prior Art

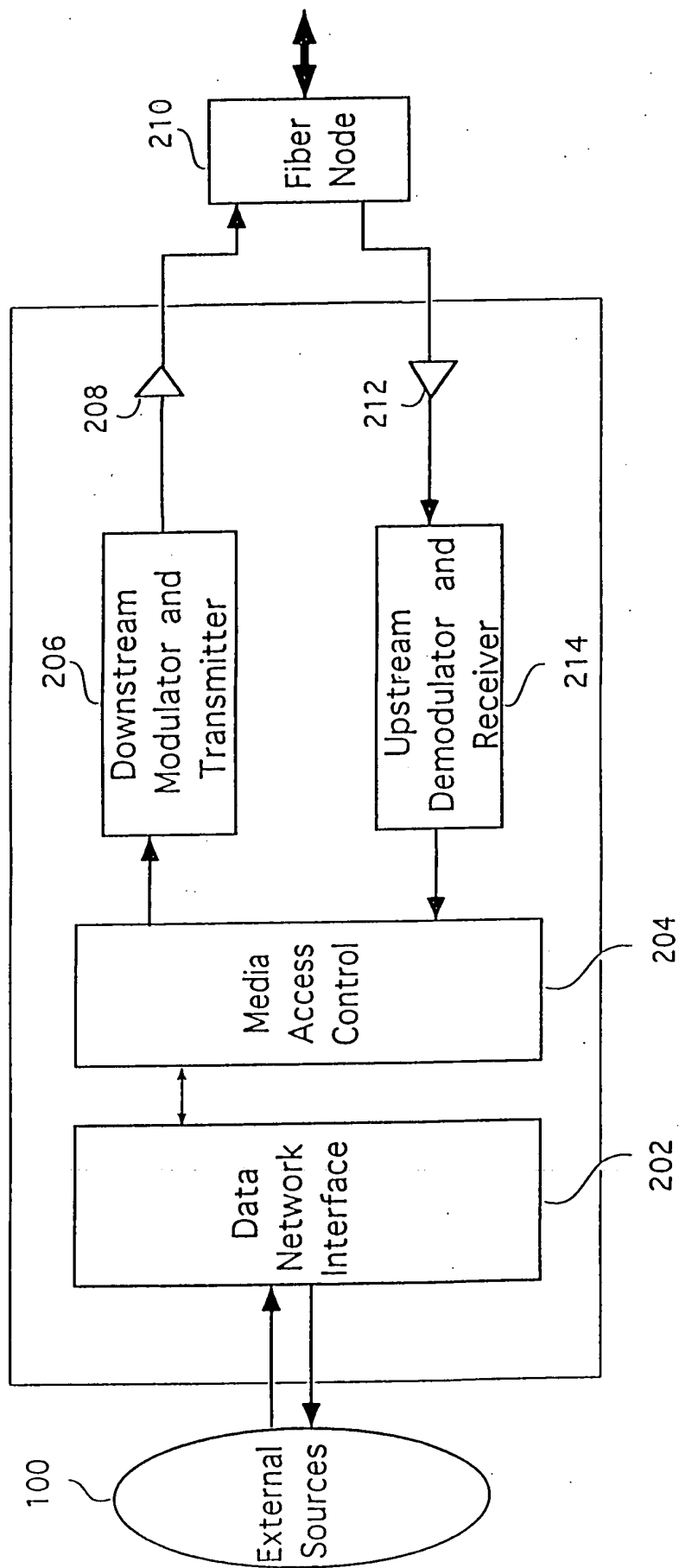


Figure 2
Prior Art

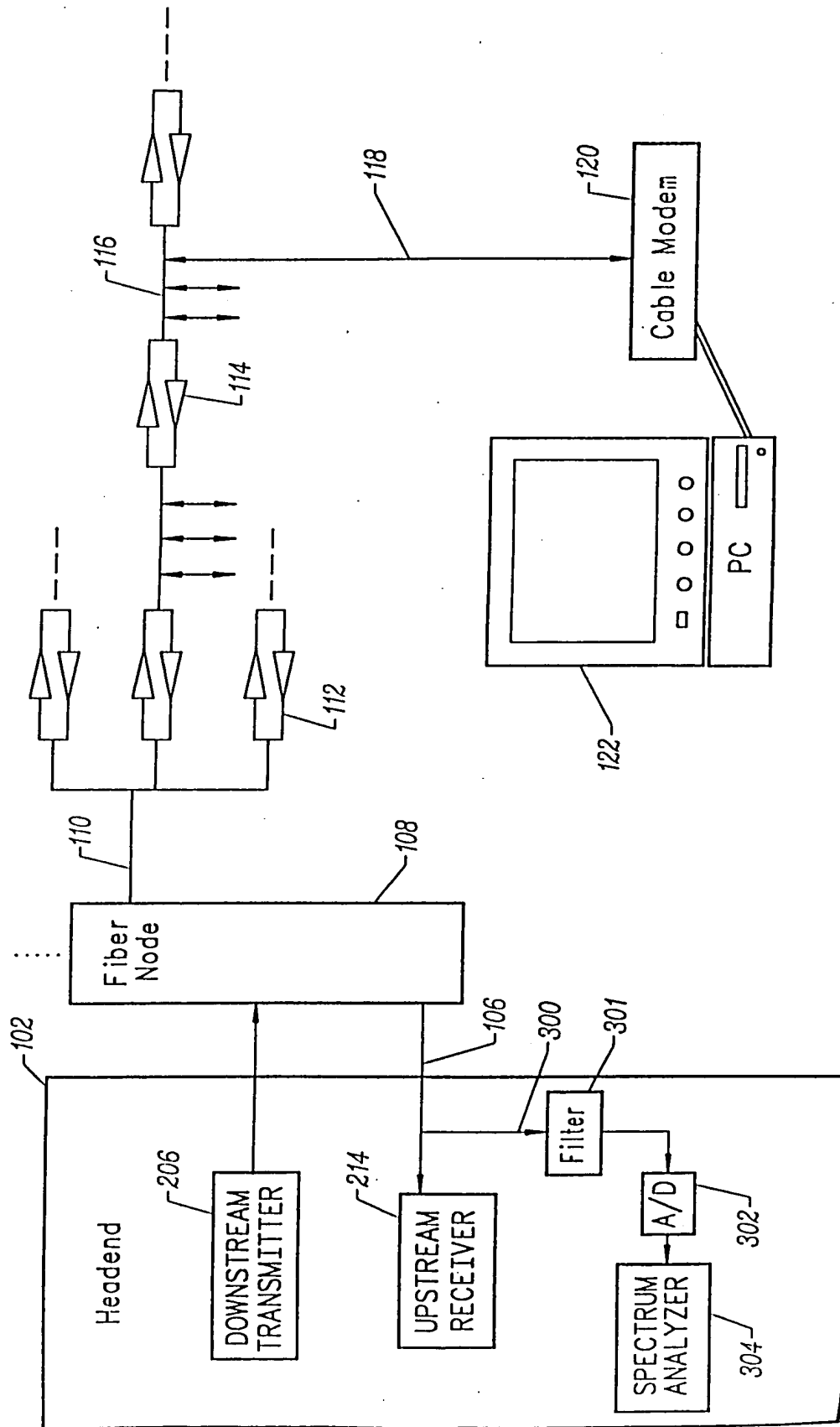
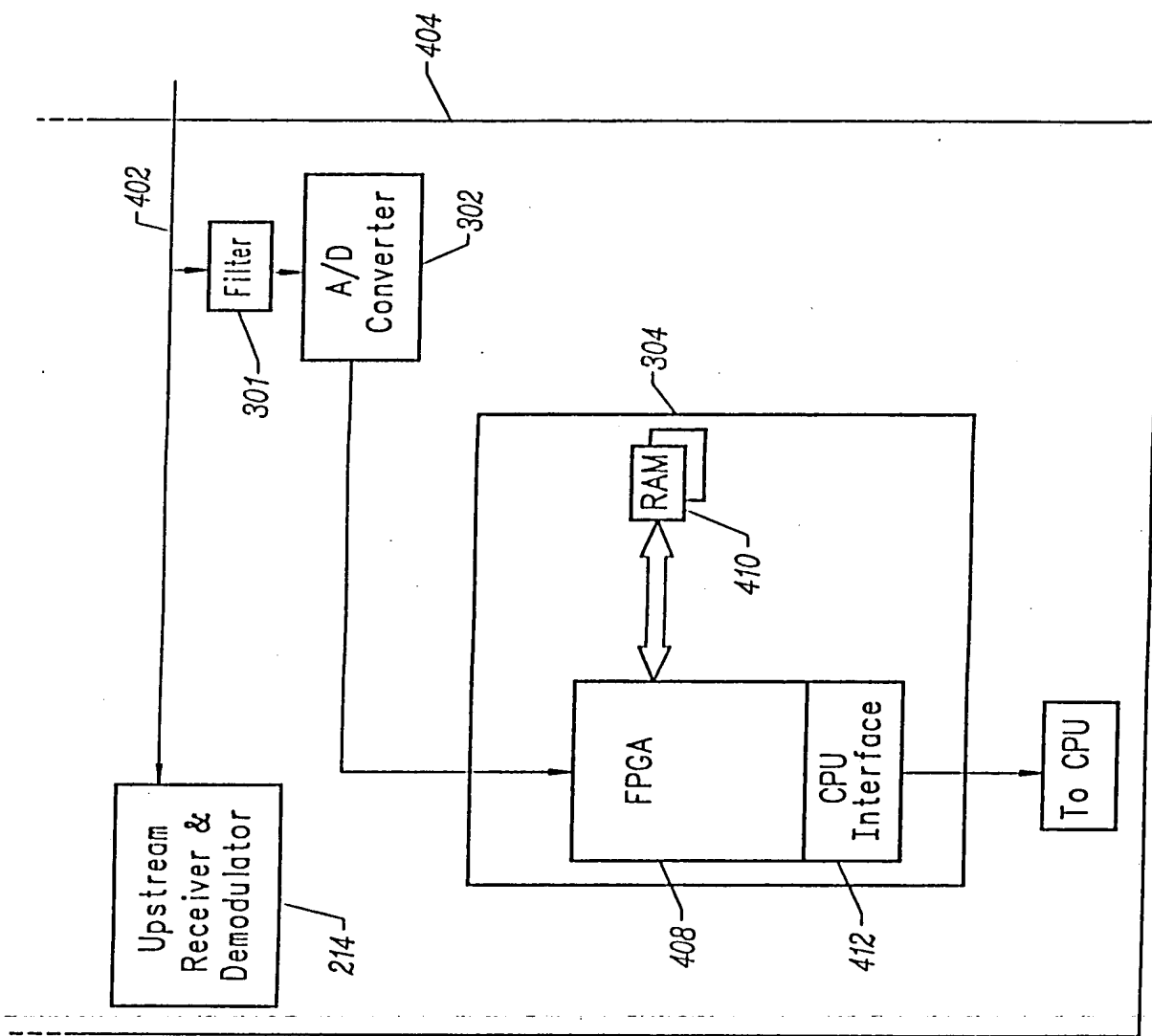


FIG. 3

FIG. 4



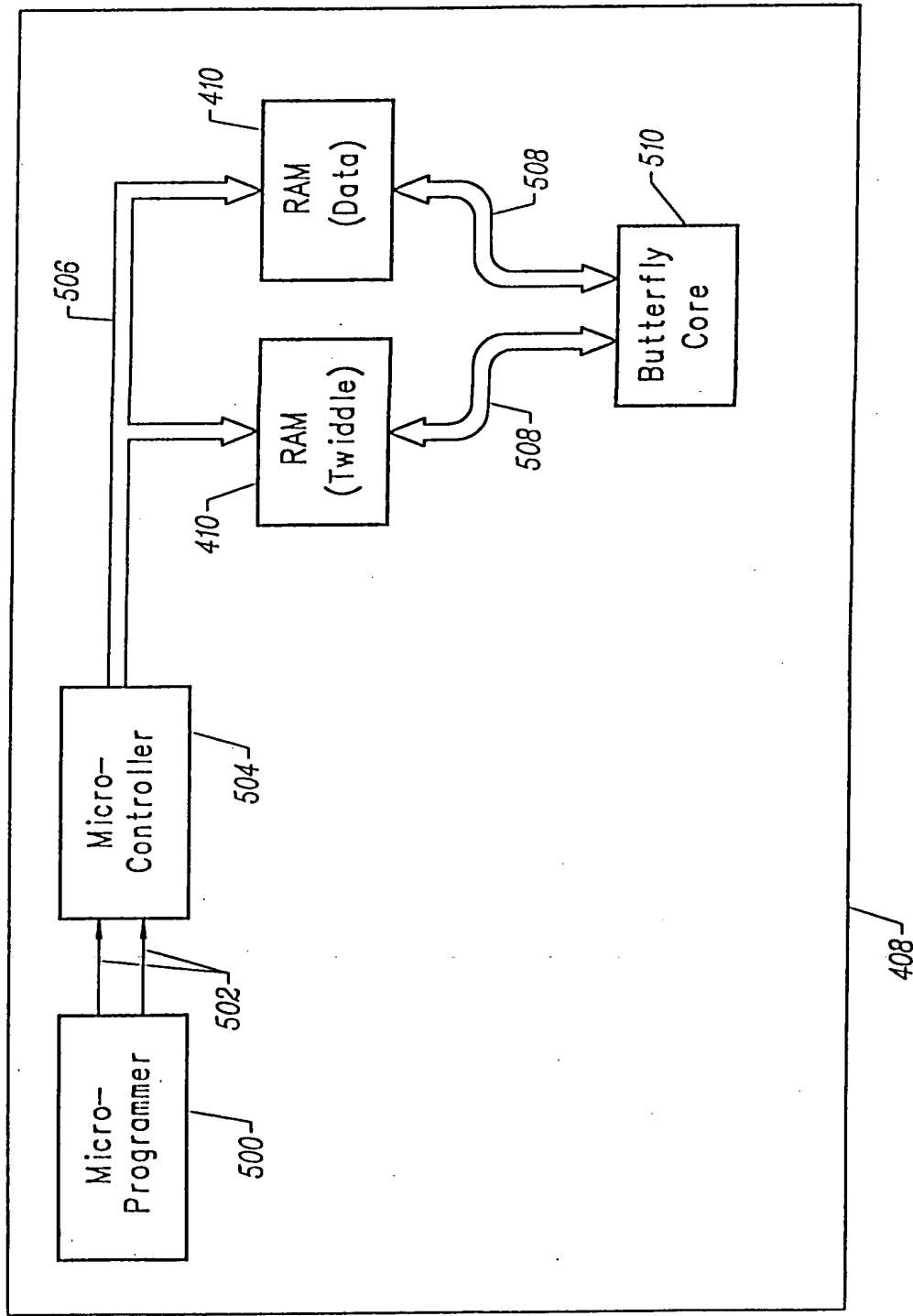


FIG. 5

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FIG. 6A

Cable Modem allocated time slot ~602

Upstream receiver & spectrum analyzer informed of timeslot ~604

Perform FFT on data during time slot ~605

MAC assigns "dummy" time slot ~606

Upstream receiver & spectrum analyzer informed of "dummy" time slot ~608

Perform FFT on upstream spectrum during reserved "dummy" time slot ~610

Calculate difference between FFT measurements taken during allocated time slot and "dummy" time slot ~612

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602 604 605 606 608 610 612

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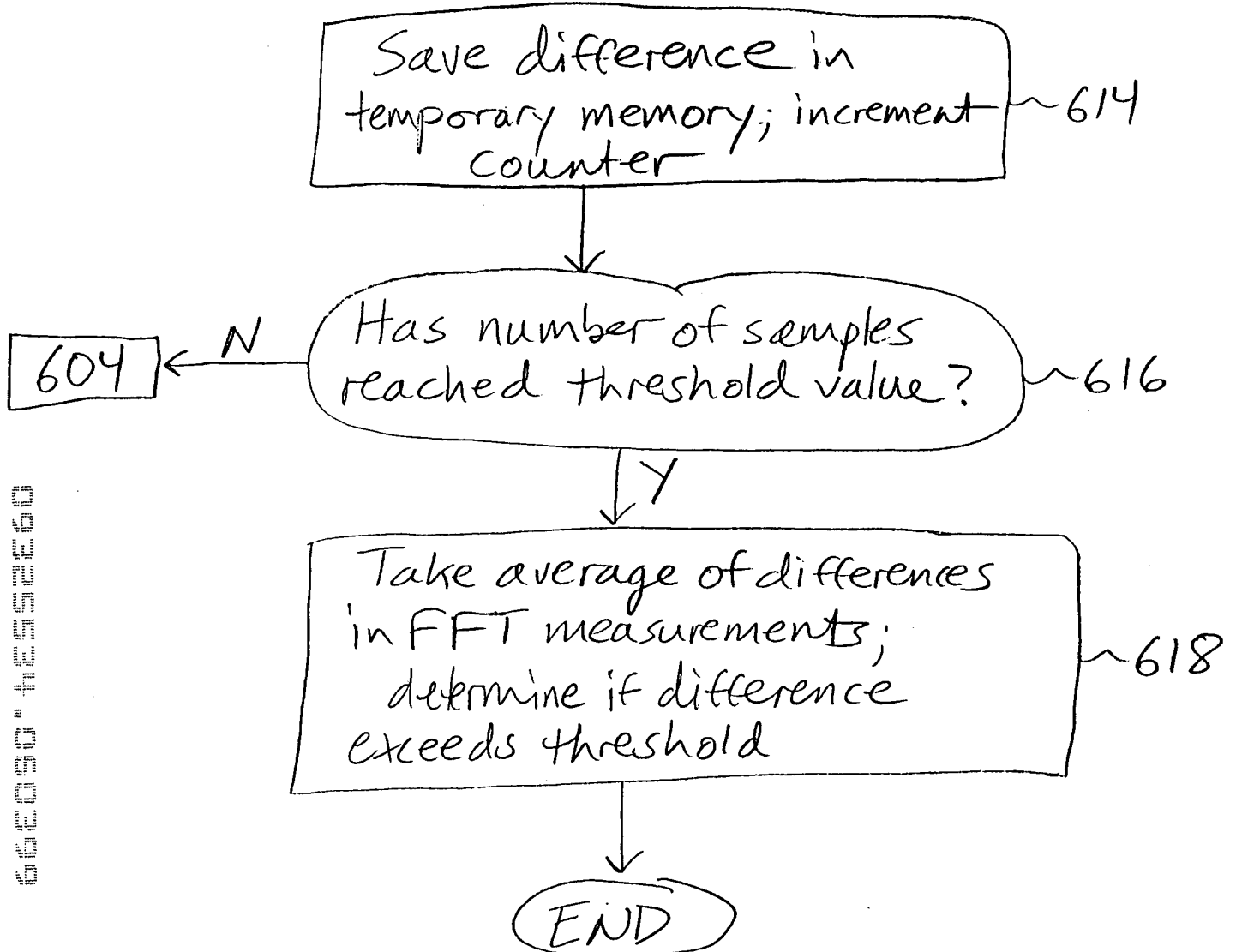


FIG. 7

